

The Board of Selectmen met on Tuesday, May 24, 2016 beginning at 7:00pm in the Main Meeting Room of the Town Hall. The following members were present.

Clifton Snuffer, Chairman
James Stanton, Vice Chairman
David Salvatore, Clerk
Mark Gallivan
Eric Kraus

Also present:
James Johnson, Town Administrator
Cindy Berube, Executive Assistant

Mr. Snuffer called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PROCLAMATIONS

SPONSORED AGENDA ITEMS

5-21 Naming of S. Field @ A. Farm

Mr. Wiley spoke of the recent approval of the Board allowing the A. Farm Committee to put a trail around the South Field. We would like to name this trail in honor of Dave Lehto. His contributions, Isaacs Study Committee, chair N. Walpole Land Use Study Com, what use should be made at the farm and the Adams Farm Committee original member. In addition to that, he plowed and tilled all the garden plots there now, brought in equipment to excavate the electric and water line. Side of driveway. He did a lot of excavation work, brought his equipment to do other things. He is no longer with us and we would like to honor him. Was a long time RTM and Planning Board member.

Mr. Kraus could think of no better honor to him. Mr. Snuffer had the pleasure of being on the study committee and served with him on Planning Board. I echo that very worthy honor.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to name the trail around the south field at Adams Farm in honor of David Lehto, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

5-24 Use of Adams Farm Application

Mr. Wiley spoke of minor revisions to the Policy and Procedure. Going over with Cindy leave the Policy and Procedure other things added on. He felt this makes the process clearer and advises everyone to get his or her application as soon as possible.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to approved the amended application for Use At Adams Farm seconded by Mr. Gallivan, Voted 5-0-0

5-25 Change of Manager, Pepper Dining Inc.

Michael Brannon applied to change the manager, Extensive experience, GM in other Chili's locations.

Damon Wilkins Working in Mass over 10-12 years. Mr. Kraus we have several people say they understand the laws. We have had several years where people for underage drinking service. We want you and Chili's to succeed, we our very strict with license. Mr. Wilkings stated that he takes it seriously; I want them to have knowledge.

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to approve the change in Manager for Pepper Dining Inc. d/b/a Chili's Grill & Bar at 120 Providence HWY to Damon Wilkins, seconded by Mr. Stanton VOTED 5-0-0

5-26 Change of Ownership, Underground Storage, 975-providence hwy

The only change is the change of ownership. There is no change to the storage.

MOTION moved by Mr. Stanton to approve the change in ownership for the underground tanks located at 975 providence Hwy to PMG Northeast LLC, seconded by Mr. Kraus VOTED 5-0-0

5-27 One Day, All Alcoholic license, Knights of Columbus

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to grant a one day all alcoholic license to the Knights of Columbus for June 4, 2016 from 7-11pm, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

5-28 One Day Entertainment, Knights of Columbus

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to grant a one day entertainment license to the Knights of Columbus for June 4m 2016 from 7-11pm for a DJ to perform, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

5-29,5-30 Gift Acceptances, Police Safety Fund

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to accept the gift from William Duggan Co., Inc. in the amount of \$412.50 to the public safety fund, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to accept the gift from Union Local 115 in the amount of \$412.50 in movie tickets for the Positive Ticket Program, seconded by Mr. Kraus, VOTED 5-0-0

5-31 Gift Acceptance, Fire Gift Account

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to accept the gift from Elizabeth Tunno in the amount of \$100.00 for the Fire Gift Account, seconded by Mr. Gallivan VOTED 5-0-0

5-32 Use of Old Fisher Ball Field

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to grant permission for the Norfolk County Aggie School on the evening of June 1, 2016 to use the Old Fisher ball field for Parking at graduation seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

5-33 Award of Bid 2016-18, Construction of Water Mains

Mr. Johnson explained this is for construction of Water mains in various locations in Town. I would recommend that the bid be awarded to PJ Hayes

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to award bid 2016-18 to PJ Hayes Inc. for the Construction of water mains at various locations in the amount of \$1,042,880.60, seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 5-0-0

5-34 Award of Bid 2016-35

This is for bituminous concrete, asphalt cold patch and Berm Mix.

MOTION Mr. Gallivan to award bid 2016-35 to Lorusso Corporation for bituminous concrete asphalt cold patch & berm mix seconded by seconded by Mr. Kraus VOTED 5-0-0

TOWN ADMINISTRATORS UPDATE

Reserve Fund Transfers. The Police do not think they need a reserve fund transfer. The fire dept. may need about \$60,000

Deputy Fire Chief- conducted an assessment center consisting of 4 other area chiefs; we expect to have a recommendation on June 21. Have four internal candidates.

Temp ops everyone is happy, when I have something consistent I will email everyone. Thanked Mr. Lorusso, offered Daltons Pkg Store as the Main Office for Fire Department. Have focused efforts on the site in front of the Blackburn Hall.

Assistance to Firefighters Grant at the request of the Fire Chief he received notification for a grant to purchase 55 scba bottles. Phase them in. This will help a lot with this program. The town has to match this. I would like ask you to accept this grant. The money will come out of the \$21000 we have in budget and the rest in Capital , We will phase it in

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to support the request of the Fire Chief to accept the grant for SCBA bottles, seconded by Mr. Kraus 5-0-0

OPEN FORUM-

William Buckley and Ted presented Mr. Snuffer with a document. It is a high honor on behalf of the legislators. Sen. Timilty is trying to get us Prison Mitigation Money. We just wanted to thank you for your friendship keeping the lines of communication open. Read the citation, from House of Representatives. Recognition. Speaker of the House and The legislators. Mr. Snuffer thanked them. Joanne Damish it is not an easy job and thanks you for your service.

Joanne Damish-I would like a railing to go up stairs at the library going to School Street. I was told when the library was built; I was told that we did not need a railing. I live across the street and there are several seniors. The second issue is crossing the street, crosswalk lines from the corner of park view to Verizon and corner of Stone Street to Park view. It is difficult to cross there.

COPS Grant-this was received this afternoon, grant will take 100 hours to put the grant together. They Police Department are looking for your support to file for this grant. Chief Carmichael explained the grant will pay for their salary for up to 3 years, we would be required to maintain for at least 1 year. We have to put a lot of time and effort into this. We would use them for Full time community policing, school resource. Full time school resource in HS, which would include the Aggie, all middle and elementary school, Longview farm. Mostly focuses on community policing and establishing with the youth of the community. Drug education. Expand the program into the HS. Grant cannot be used for enforcement.

He thinks they have a good opportunity. They are paying for 75% of their salary. Brings us up to 45 to 50 people. We will see an increase in hotels. Good way to get geared up for that.

Mr. Snuffer, we did something equivalent for the Fire. I do not disagree, the work that has been done PR prospective. This Board has committed to public safety and I am sure they will going forward.

Mr. Gallivan thinks it is a great idea, as we need to increase our count. I think it would be great to carve time out for the schools.

Mr. Stanton wanted to know who works on the grant, John Carmichael, and John White has done a fabulous job, we already have a lot of the data, w/o your approval it does not make sense. What is the timeline, when does it have to be submitted. Chief Carmichael stated the End of June

Mr. Salvatore, the grants lasts for up to 3 years . The Chief explained it has to be three years after that one year the town has to support. There are different parts we could have gone after, measurements as how successful you are. Mr. Salvatore questioned the role that you are looking to have these officers. How many officers are assigned. The Chief explained we have 1 School Resource Officer these two would be for all of our schools and detectives cover juvenile issues. We assigned police to be mentors to each school they do on their shift. That helps but sometimes we take away from the shift. These two would be dedicated to our schools. Mr. Salvatore what do they do during the summer months? They would work with other programs, camps, last year we joined forces with recreation dept. for rec camp. Sporting events, bike rodeo. They will be community policing. Mr. Salvatore questioned how many mentors are there? The Chief explained there are twelve and they work a minimum of 8 hours a month, but usually more. Juvenile officer and mentor are once a week, youth investigation, and truancy issues, Court orders. It is almost 60 is SRO-40% Juvenile. So this new would be 80 hours. Currently we have 48 hours being used for these activities. Mr. Salvatore thinks this needs to be a longer discussion. He feels from the conversation that 2 school resource officers are too many. When was this grant come on line? Chief explained it came online in March. We should have had this discussion sooner. The Chief explained part of why we have not gotten to this one; we did all of our other grants. We have done 5 or more grants. Mr. Salvatore sometimes grants money is not where you want to go. Is there where we need to go? Does not feel we may not need 80 hours. Should not be chasing the grants. Chief we gain two bodies in the process and our mission values the direction of the dept. These are things we are already doing. This is a community-policing grant. We would have officers that are already knowledgeable. He noted these are not civilian jobs in line with community policing. Work with students, staff and parents. Mr. Salvatore all of those working in schools right not would be redeployed. The Chief stated the goal would be to make them SRO. The current officer will not move away from the schools. Mr. Salvatore would like to have a better conversation of this.

Mr. Kraus does not disagree with Mr. Salvatore, potentially we are hearing about this late. We need a mechanism in place, I am a firm believer, I do not have a justice degree, I put a lot of respect in both of you we will do the right thing. Valuable for the Board going forward. I would like an uptick in grants. I am in favor of this.

MOTION moved by Mr. Stanton that the Board express their support for COPS Grant application submitted by the Walpole Police Department, seconded by Mr. Kraus

Mr. Gallivan agrees with Mr. Kraus a little more notice, maybe a workshop. We hear from you, but do not take the time to talk to you about what is going on. We may have input on certain topics. Chief apologized for the timing.

Mr. Snuffer would recommend to this Board that anyone of you could have a better understanding the mission by having coffee with a cop. That is how you get to know their soul. You didn't leave your vision. I have coffee with both chiefs and I report to the TA.

VOTED 4-0-1(DS ABSTAINED)

Parking utilization study- the cost is \$4330, do you want to pursue. Mr. Salvatore asked if this includes Glenwood or just this lot. He thinks the Town should create 2-hour spots and see if that satisfies. The spots closest to the business are the ones used more. Maybe we do not need the study.

Memorial Day Event- will be held on the Common on Monday on the Town Common.

Jarvis Farm-issue Patrick visited the site late last week with BOH. The cabins were in need of repair and clean. The ADA, the pond, the leaves that have fallen into it. The dock needs repair; the playground is a safety hazard. These issues can be resolved with in house staff. I want to make sure we are in compliance with ADA. Want to comply. The DPW agree they can address. David Salvatore and I walked the property today. Now is the time to direct me. Currently we have 45 families. Some wait until the last week to sign up.

Mr. Snuffer wanted to know whose budget these funds were coming out of. Mr. Johnson explained it comes out of the various dept. Is it ok to spend budget on Sewer and Water property and can they do it in an expeditious matter. Mr. Johnson, yes they could. In time for camp to open. The only thing we do not know about is the pond. Mr. Snuffer, that pond is a centerpiece to the camping activity.

Patrick, yes it is a swimming component. Probably a huge draw for these families. The big question is the treatment of the pond in June with a July opening. Mr. Snuffer, with respect to treating the pond in June, Mr. Mattson said middle of the month. Mr. Snuffer, from the time you put the chemicals in there, how do you know it is safe to swim. Mr. Mattson, you can enter after 24 hr. . Mr. Snuffer, you are asking us to make a decision whether it be Jarvis Farm or Boyden School. Mr. Mattson noted the biggest concern is that pond. We can't treat it the way they did. We have an order of conditions, DEP filing number, those never existed before. Mr. Snuffer have we out regulated ourselves. Mr. Mattson does not think the regs we are following, they did not have to follow. Mr. Snuffer, you are asking us to decide to go to Jarvis or Boyden. If you are not comfortable that the pond is not recoverable for a camp experience. Mr. Johnson, the sure thing is Boyden School. Everyone wants it used for a camp. Patrick the people were given an option. Many families were not interested in the camp experience. Day care while they go to work.

Mr. Kraus in an ideal world is Jarvis a better place. Patrick. Yes. Mr. Kraus, can you say with confidence that Jarvis Farm is ready to host those families. Do we wait a year? Patrick I prefer the certainty of Jarvis Farm. Mr. Kraus it would be unfortunate to move forward if we are not ready, Mr. Stanton if you said the safe bet is Boyden I would go with what you recommend. I think it is a shame not to use Jarvis farm. The pond would be less maintained. I have been there with little league. It is a great asset to the town. I was there last night. I want to see it used for its full potential. Trying to plant grass. Needs some barrels trash for people. Porta potties. Mr. Stanton wanted to know the hours of the camp. Patrick 8-6. Patrick anticipates 3-4 lifeguards. The counselors would also be on the beach.

Mr. Stanton if at all possible I want to see it used, I want to see a camp there, if it can not be done, I hope we are not in a position scrambling to get the pond cleaned.

Mr. Gallivan appreciates everything, like to see us offer the Jarvis farm experience. I would like to see us work on those things. The only question is the pond. If we could make it work that would be my preference. I hope we do a lot of the work at Jarvis. Great experience.

Mr. Salvatore would like to commend Patrick for the memo. Outlined the problems and issues. I do think the pond is an issue. Some discussion that there was procedure was lowered cleaned and refilled. Mr. Mattson agrees that is the right way to do it. The issue with refilling is a manmade pond, if it does not rain for a long time the level of the pond does not come back. Lake management came last year and filed with Con Com. The best way is to lower the level and clean it out. Mr. Salvatore what was the timing of that. Mr. Mattson stated the lake manager said it should be done in April and some say Oct. Mr. Salvatore suggested they raise some funds to take the kids to Jarvis farm and get the pond right, maybe have the archery and other events once a week. Mr. Mattson noted that the pond will have to be tested regularly.

Mr. Snuffer, on a hot summers day we do not want that to be attractive nuisance. We pay our managers to manage, they have presented us with two situations.

MOTION moved by Mr. Snuffer to leave the responsibility in the hands of them (department heads) and back them up with whatever decision they make. Seconded by Mr. Kraus VOTED

VOTED 4-1-0(Mr. Salvatore opposed)

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

The Board had prepared a plaque for Mr. Snuffer this being his last meeting. He read the plaque for Cliff.

Clifton Snuffer it has been my personal honor and pleasure to have chaired this Board and to work for the people of Walpole for 40 years.

Mr. Snuffer talked about the Spectra Energy meeting he attended. I realize you appreciate the Stuff from Snuff. Have a coffee with your managers.

MINUTES

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to approve the minutes of April 12, 2016, seconded by Mr. Salvatore, VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Gallivan to approve the minutes of April 26, 2016, seconded by Mr. Salvatore, VOTED 5-0-0

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Declaration by Chairman:

I hereby declare that:

- Under G.L. C.30A, §21(a)(2) the purpose of the executive session will be

To conduct strategy sessions in preparation for a Memorandum of Agreement with a nonunion employee
Richard Mattson

- That a discussion of the foregoing in open session could compromise the purpose for
The executive session; and
- That the Board of Selectmen shall return to open session at the end of Executive Session

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to enter Executive session for the purposes stated by the Chair, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED BY roll call Mr. Kraus-Aye, Mr. Stanton-Aye, Mr. Salvatore-Aye, Mr. Gallivan-Aye and Mr. Snuffer-Aye.

The Board had moved back to regular session. Mr. Mattson was invited back into the room.

MOA Agreement

MOTION moved by Mr. Salvatore to sign the Memorandum of Agreement between the Town of Walpole and Richard Mattson Jr. for a three-year period ending June 30, 2019, seconded by Mr. Gallivan, VOTED 5-0-0

MOTION moved by Mr. Kraus to adjourn seconded by Mr. Stanton, VOTED 5-0-0